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LETTER REQUESTING ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

An Information Disclosure Statement was filed in this application on October 7, 2004. In reviewing our files, we find that we have not received from your Office a copy of the Form PTO-1449 which would serve as acknowledgment of receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement and as an indication that the document was considered by the Examiner.

A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement, the Information Disclosure Citation on Form PTO-1449, and of the postcard that was filed with the Information Disclosure Statement and was stamped by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to indicate receipt of the papers, is attached.

The Examiner is respectfully requested either to send undersigned a duplicate of the copy of the Form PTO-1449 or issue a Supplemental Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37) which both acknowledges receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement and the Information Disclosure Citation, and indicates that the document was considered by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached PTO-1449 form. Applicants file this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) after the period set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), but before the mailing date of either a Final action, Quayle action, or a Notice of Allowance, to the undersigned representative's knowledge at the time of filing this IDS. This IDS supplements the IDS filed on September 24, 2003.

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement includes the following certification as specified by Section 1.97(e): The document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a Korean Office Action mailed by the Korean Patent Office on August 5, 2004 in counterpart foreign Application No. 10-2002-0044737, and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the

mailing date of that communication. Applicants enclose a copy of the Korean Patent Office

Action and its English translation.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document and

indicate its consideration by making appropriate notation on the attached PTO-1449 form.

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Applicants determine that the listed document does not constitute "prior art" under United States

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appropriate status of the document.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability

of the disclosed invention over the listed document, should the document be applied against the

claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the

fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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